Who Is This For?

Use clues to find a text's purpose and audience.

3.P.ST.2.a "Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes. (I/C)"

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline details that tell who should read this notice. Circle words that show what the writer wants readers to do, then number two details that help the notice work.

Help Our School Garden

1. Hello, families of Maple Grove School! Our garden beds need new seeds for spring. The Garden Club is collecting unopened seed packets from March 4 to March 15. We hope to grow beans, sunflowers, and lettuce beside the playground. A bright garden can give students a place to watch plants, draw pictures, and taste vegetables.

2. We are the Maple Grove Garden Club, a group of students and teachers who care for the garden after school. Please place your seed packets in the green box by the front office. Ask an adult at home to check for extra packets first. You may also bring a small hand trowel or garden gloves to share.

3. Your gifts will help us plant on April 2, when the weather is warmer. The notice includes dates, a drop-off spot, and a list of useful items, so families can know how to help. If many families join in, our garden will have more kinds of plants for everyone to enjoy during recess and class visits.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Who wrote this notice?

2. Who is the main audience for this notice?

3. What is the writer's main purpose?

4. Does the notice do a good job of asking families to help? Give two details that support your answer.

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Imagine you are Ms. Lee, the art teacher. Write a three-sentence notice for families asking for clean, empty yogurt cups for an art project, and include a deadline and a drop-off place. Below your notice, write its audience and purpose.

ANSWER KEY

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GRADE 3 · 3.P.ST.2.a

PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline details that tell who should read this notice. Circle words that show what the writer wants readers to do, then number two details that help the notice work. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Who wrote this notice?	**The Maple Grove Garden Club, made up of students and teachers, wrote it.**
2	Who is the main audience for this notice?	**Families of Maple Grove School are the main audience.**
3	What is the writer's main purpose?	**The writer wants families to donate seed packets and helpful garden items for the school garden.**
4	Does the notice do a good job of asking families to help? Give two details that support your answer.	**Yes. It gives the collection dates, the green-box drop-off location, a list of items to bring, and a reason the garden will help students.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Families of Room 12, please save clean, empty yogurt cups for Ms. Lee's art project. Send them to school by Friday, May 8, and place them in the blue bin outside the art room. The cups will become tiny planters for our window garden. Audience: Families of Room 12 Purpose: To ask families to send clean yogurt cups for an art project.

Accept answers that identify the Garden Club as the author, Maple Grove families as the audience, and collecting garden supplies as the purpose. For the writing task, accept any clear three-sentence notice that fits the stated audience and includes the requested item, deadline, drop-off place, audience, and purpose.